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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Chen et al.  
U.S.S.N.: 09/454,316 GROUP: 1754  
FILED: December 3, 1999 EXAMINER: E. Johnson  
FOR: CATALYST FOR OXACYLATION AND USE OF SAME

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated July 11, 2003 and request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.